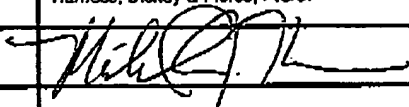


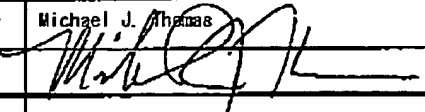
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**AMENDMENT A**

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In response to the Office Action mailed June 13, 2005, please amend the application as follows and consider the remarks set forth below.

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

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